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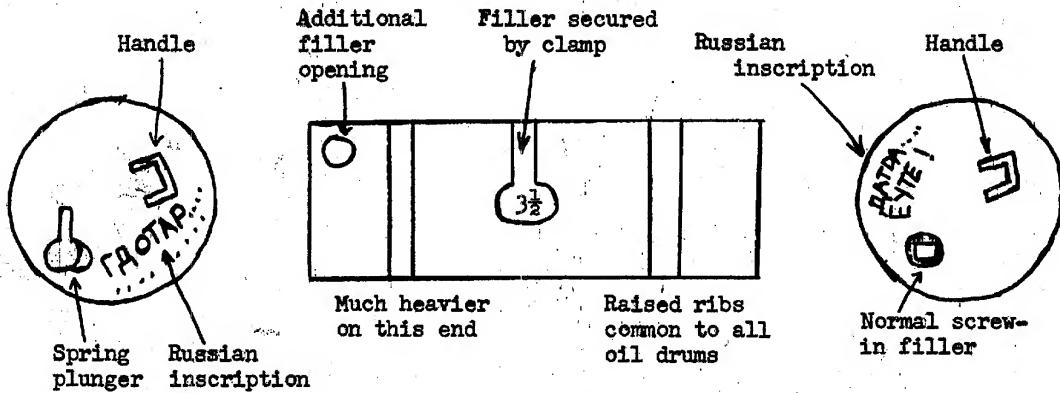
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1. A floating mine of Soviet origin

closely resembled a small oil drum and weighed 20 kilograms. It measured approximately three feet in length and the diameter of each end was about 18 inches. It was painted dark khaki.

2. The side view and each end are portrayed below:



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4. The side view of the spring plunger on the left-hand end is shown below:



5. It was believed that the left end as far as the raised ribs contained the explosive. It was the much heavier end and it was believed that the rest of the mine was filled with air to keep it buoyant. 50X1-HUM

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